MAYOR AND COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING NOTES

Tuesday, August 23, 2005, 7:00 p.m.

Resolution 05-05 to annex portions of MSHA, MD Rt. 17 Right-of-Way

Mayor swears in Rick Stup, Joe Harrington and Dick Goodrich to speak

Rick Stup gives background of project. Report attached.

Smith–States he thought CDA was not going to pay for anything except infrastructure.

Mayor–Corrects that statement by saying improvements to roadway would be paid for by Special Tax District or developers, not present Brunswick citizens.

Smith-If we don't annex Rt. 17, does developer still have to work with State of MD on plans?

Stup-Yes.

Bell–Inquires where money will come from to pay for Rt. 17 round-a-bouts, etc.?

Public Forum-

Donald Anderson–3829 Burkittsville Road–How far out Rt. 17 will annexation be?

Dick Goodrich–Can Brunswick enforce both sides of road after annexation? Inquires what Gateway plans are for Brunswick? What does Rosemont think of this?

Joe Harrington–46 East F Street–Why are we in a hurry to annex this portion if development is going to take up to 15 years to complete?

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Call to Order

Roll Call–Johnson, Smith, Greenfield, Stull, Bell; all present Mayor's Remarks– Remarks on death of Tommy Thompson, past employee of City.

Movies-in-the-Park finished for season...very successful six movies shown.

Remarks on Jim Castle's resignation from Council.

Citizens' Forum

Bill Simms-25 East Potomac Street-Comments on parking lot closing for Railroad Days for antique car show.

James Castle-North Maryland Avenue-Speaks about Yard Waste Visit.

Old Business-None.

New Business

LEPS Drill-Dennis Wenner, Frederick County DFRS-Speaks about Emergency Hazardous Chemicals drill taking place in Railroad parking lot on October 16 at 7:00 a.m.

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Motion to approve–Stull 2nd–Greenfield

Johnson–States she would like to postpone issue for a later date.

Smith–Inquires how long we could postpone issue?

Stup–If we postpone, we'd loose ability for four-lane road in future.

Stull–States he's approving because it's recommendation of Planning & Zoning.

Mayor-What's true today will be true at a later time. Nothing will be gained from postponing issue...either vote for or against now.

Vote 2-3 (Bell, Smith, Johnson against)

Special Election for Council Vacancy–Dave Dunn
Gives overview of requirements, date, etc. Attached.
Speaks about need to do budget amendment.
Mayor–We could do a budget transfer after we have election, so we know exact amounts.

Mayor–November 1, 2005 seems to be best possible date at this point.

Motion to approve Nov. 1 election date—Smith 2nd—Greenfield Vote 5-0

Railroad Days Street Closing–Geri Reynolds Gives overview of requested closings. Attached.

Motion to accept–Smith 2nd–Bell Vote 5-0

Homestead Property Tax Credit–Mayor

Frederick County, over last few years, has been 110%. County Commissions have elected to reduce to 105% in 2007 tax year. We may reduce rate or leave as is. Interest has been in reducing rate to 105%. We will have Public Hearing and create Ordinance to reduce taxes.

Railroad Square Resolution–Dave Dunn

Direction given by Finance Committee to raise rates at Railroad Square from \$200 to \$330 per year. Resolution would state that renewal can only be for one year at a time. Fee has never been increased since program was put in place.

Approved By:		Witnessed By:	
Mayor	Date	City Administrator	Date